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Both of the following sites are being managed/funded throwing FPNs

LD Construction Spill in Lumberton

On 20 August 2017, TCEQ requested federal assistance in oversight of a RP led oil spill as a result of flooding caused by Hurricane Harvey. There was a release of approximately 2000 gallons of asphaltic oil product that affected 6 residential properties. Wednesday, TCEQ requested assistance because the RP has not yet provided adequate response. OSC McAteer contacted the facility manager to issue a verbal Notice of Federal Interest on Wednesday. By Friday there were 25 employees working for the RP throughout the affected residences. Two dead horses were identified to have drowned in the area, but were not oil-related. RP gained access to all impacted properties and is making quick progress, estimated to be approximately 25% complete. OSC McAteer will continue to monitor the progress closely over the weekend to ensure a timely and effective cleanup.

Port Arthur Pipeline Spill

On 19 September 2017, TCEQ received a report of a waterline break with a sheen on the water at the Port Arthur RV Resort that started on 31 August 2017. On 20 September 2017, TCEQ, Texas Railroad Commission and EPA responded to the scene to find that the release flows into a retention pond and potentially to Taylor's Bayou. No RPs have been identified. START and ERRS contractors have been activated. START has had no hits over normal levels for air monitoring. ERRS has exposed the ruptured pipeline and nearby phalange. The City of Port Arthur Water Utilities came to ensure the pipeline is not city-owned. ERRS is currently working to repair the pipe, contain the runoff water and minimize the effect on vegetation. OSCs McAteer and Baxter are onsite.

Please let me know if any more information is needed.

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